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15 August 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,  
Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,  
Mr. Abbot Smith, [REDACTED] Mr. David Murphy  
(part of meeting), [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

Opened the meeting by asking Mr. David Murphy to give a situation report on [REDACTED] to the assembled group, after which there ensued a good deal of discussion on the [REDACTED] situation and Mr. Murphy thereafter departed.

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MR. KIRKPATRICK:

a. Mentioned that a paper had been prepared by Mr. Sheldon's office in response to recommendations of the President's Board involving the National Security Agency and certain [REDACTED] activities upon which we had been asked to comment. He raised the question of whether or not our comments should be shown to and discussed with the USIB prior to being submitted to the President's Board. Some discussion ensued on this point in which it was finally generally agreed that it might be best to present our comments to the USIB prior to forwarding them to the President's Board. General Cabell and Mr. Dulles agreed to discuss this further later on in the day.

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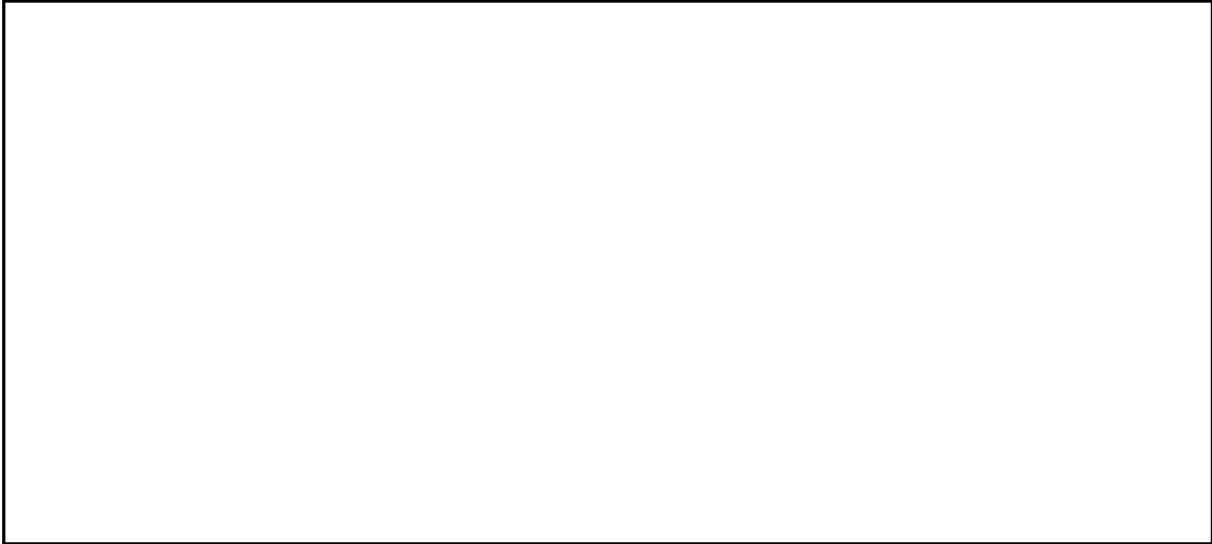
b. Mentioned that the Director had also been asked to comment on the Joint Study Group recommendations which should be ready within the next two days. He stated that there were no major conflicts between the Department of Defense and the Director's views on these recommendations, and recommended that in this case too the DCI's recommendations be submitted to the USIB beforehand. The DCI approved.

c. Raised the question of the present discussions going on between Mr. Helms and Ambassador Bohlen [REDACTED] and pointed out that a report was due to the Director and the Secretary of State by the end of this week. Mr. Helms commented that he and Bohlen hoped to have a

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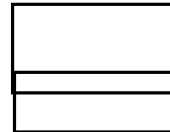
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joint agreement on certain aspects of this problem and would probably provide for further study of other aspects but he felt that a joint agreement on as much as possible should be achieved in the initial stages.



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Mr. Kirkpatrick undertook to coordinate this and see that appropriate comment was included.



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